## A-Engrossed Senate Bill 43

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## **SUMMARY**

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Authorizes State Board of Geologist Examiners to adopt rules prescribing continuing education requirements.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

- 2 Relating to the State Board of Geologist Examiners; creating new provisions; and amending ORS 672.585 and 672.685.
  - Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:
- 5 SECTION 1. Section 2 of this 2019 Act is added to and made a part of ORS 672.505 to 672.705.
  - SECTION 2. (1) The State Board of Geologist Examiners may establish or approve programs of continuing education that contribute to the competency of geologists. The board may charge a fee for the programs of continuing education established by the board.
  - (2) The board may require completion of a program of continuing education established or approved under this section as a condition for the renewal, restoration or reissuance of a certificate of registration as a geologist issued under ORS 672.585 or 672.685.
  - (3) The number of hours of continuing education required shall be determined by the board, but may not exceed eight hours per year.
    - (4) The board may adopt rules to carry out the provisions of this section.
    - **SECTION 3.** ORS 672.585 is amended to read:
  - 672.585. (1) The State Board of Geologist Examiners shall issue a certificate of registration[, upon payment of the registration fee,] to any applicant who[,]:
    - (a) Submits an application to the administrator;
    - (b) Pays the registration fee established under ORS 672.705; and
- 21 (c) In the opinion of the board, has satisfactorily met all the requirements of ORS 672.505 to 672.705.
  - (2) The issuance of a certificate of registration by the board shall be prima facie evidence that the person named [therein] on the certificate of registration is entitled to all the rights and privileges of a registered geologist, or certified specialty geologist, while the certificate remains unrevoked or unexpired.
    - [(2)] (3) [All certificates] Each year a person shall renew a certificate of registration [shall

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- 1 be renewed annually at such time as will be] at a time designated by the board. [All applications for 2 renewal shall be filed with the administrator before the expiration date, accompanied by the annual 3 renewal fee.]
  - (4) A person renewing a certificate of registration shall:
  - (a) Submit an application to the administrator before the expiration date of the certificate;
    - (b) Pay the renewal fee established under ORS 672.705; and
  - (c) Demonstrate compliance with the continuing education requirements established under section 2 of this 2019 Act.
  - (5) A [license which] certificate of registration that has expired for failure to renew may only be restored after application and payment of the prescribed restoration fee.
  - [(3)] (6) Reduced annual renewal fees for registrants reaching the age of 70 may be established by action of the board.
  - [(4)] (7) A new certificate of registration to replace any certificate lost, destroyed, or mutilated, may be issued subject to the rules of the board and payment of the fee.
    - SECTION 4. ORS 672.685 is amended to read:
  - 672.685. The State Board of Geologist Examiners may reissue a certificate of registration to any person whose certificate has been revoked [*upon*] if the person:
  - (1) **Submits a** written application to the board [by the applicant,] showing good cause to justify the reissuance[.]; and
  - (2) Demonstrates compliance with the continuing education requirements established under section 2 of this 2019 Act.

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